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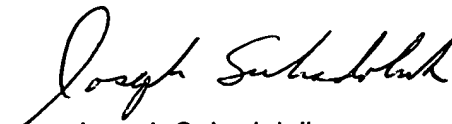
In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the International Search Report and the references cited therein were submitted when this application entered the U.S. national phase. The International Search Report indicates that U.S. Patents 4,978,394 and 6,620,233 are substantively cumulative English language counterparts of EP 0338428 and WO 01/34710 respectively.

Enclosed herewith are copies of DE 19843014 (with an English language abstract), EP 1236682, WO 03/068868, English language abstract for JP 3079673 and Int. Conf. in Inorg. Coat., (1988), pp. 112-116.

The Examiner is advised that copending patent applications Nos. 10/524,457, 10/504412, 10/530,615, 10/531,483, 10/533,575, 10/530,099 and 10/517,283 deal with related subject matter.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form.

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	English language abstract for DE 19843014 (2000)						
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